



Message from our English Leads:

National Storytelling Week: Reimagining Our World



This week, we have been celebrating National Storytelling Week, weaving together our love for stories and our Writing for Pleasure focus through the theme 'Reimagining Our World.' Across the school, children have taken part in a range of exciting storytelling activities, unlocking their creativity and imagination.

The highlight of the week was the virtual author workshops hosted by the National Literacy Trust. Each phase joined a live storytelling session with a published author, giving our children a chance to be inspired by real writers and explore the art of storytelling in new ways.

- **EYFS** engaged with *What Will I Be?* by Frances Stickley, sparking wonderful discussions about dreams and possibilities.
- **KS1** joined poet and author Joseph Coelho, listening to a vibrant storytelling session before embarking on their own creative writing journey.

- **KS2** participated in a workshop with Tola Okogwu, where they explored the process of character creation and developed their own unique protagonists to feature in their stories.

Throughout the week, children crafted their own stories, using their newly created characters and inspiration from the workshops.

On Friday afternoon, children had the opportunity to share their stories with another phase, allowing children of different ages to experience each other's creativity and storytelling talents. It was a fantastic celebration of their hard work and a wonderful way to bring the week to a close.

We are so proud of how our children embraced this week—collaborating, imagining, and crafting stories that reflect their unique voices. Thank you to all the staff for making this such a rich and meaningful experience.

Thank you for your continued support,
Mrs Doyle (Reading Lead), Miss Kiggins (Writing Lead)

Merit Assembly

Congratulations to the following children who all received a certificate this week and were part of our assembly today:

Foundation 2: Krish & Harri
Year 1: Etienne & Alfie
Year 2: Chaithra & Bea
Year 3: Kaitlyn & Giovanni
Year 4: Saffron & Theo
Year 5: Nevaeh & George
Year 6: Isabella & Jemima



Writers of the Week

Foundation 2: Hemen
Year 1: Amore
Year 2: Ellis
Year 3: Henos
Year 4: Isa
Year 5: Joshua
Year 6: Ife O



Attendance

Foundation 2: 95.92%
Year 1: 92.9%
Year 2: 98.0%
Year 3: 96.67%
Year 4: 95.33%
Year 5: 99.03%
Year 6: 99.33%

Well done to this week's class with the highest attendance:
Year 6

F1 Stars of the Week



Hammad & Eli

In other news...



Enrichment Opportunities

Our children have enjoyed a range of enrichment opportunities recently.

- Y2 and Y3 visited Dale's Library for a Reading for Pleasure session.
- Nottinghamshire Fire Service visited children in EYFS with their fire engine!
- Y1 visited Green's Windmill as part of their topic learning about Sneinton.



Wassailing at the Community Allotment

A huge thank you to everyone who joined us last Friday for our Wassail Event on the allotment. It was fantastic to see so many families come together to celebrate this tradition, enjoying the space and the sense of community it fosters. A special thanks to our Allotment Officer, Mrs. Cooper, who warmly hosted families and provided mulled apple juice, toast, and soup to keep us cosy. Thank you also to everyone who performed, sang, and danced—it was wonderful to experience this lively and joyful celebration together.



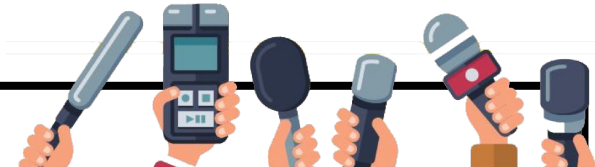
Classroom Refurbishments Underway!

We are excited to be having our classrooms refurbished over the coming weeks! This work will enhance our learning environment and ensure our spaces continue to meet the needs of all pupils. So far, we have had updated electrics installed to support our increasing use of technology across the school. We are also in the process of having new sink units and cupboards fitted in all classrooms. After half term, we look forward to a fresh new look as all classrooms are repainted.



SATs Information & Y6 Booster Sessions

A huge thank you to all the parents and carers who joined us this week for our SATs Information Evening. It was great to see so many of you engaging with how we can best support our Year 6 pupils in the lead-up to their assessments. For anyone who couldn't attend, we have shared the presentation on Class Dojo, so you can catch up on all the key information.



Diary Dates

Tue 11 Feb	Y1 Visit Dales Library
Wed 12 Feb	Y6 Justice Museum Visit
Wed 12 Feb	EYFS Healthy Eating Celebration
Thu 13 Feb	Y5-6 Rolls Royce Science Museum Visit.
Mon 17 – 23 Feb	Half Term
Tue 25 Feb	Church at School 3:15-4:00 pm School Hall – All Welcome
Thu 27 Feb	Y3 Visit – Luisa's Bean to Bar
Thu 6 Mar	World Book Day

*Please continue to check the school calendar
on our Reach More Parents app.*

This will show you upcoming events related to your child.



In the spotlight...

Farewell & Best Wishes to Mrs Munir

Today, we said a heartfelt goodbye and good luck to Mrs. Munir, our wonderful Midday Supervisor, as she moves on to a new role at another school.

Mrs. Munir has been a valued member of our school for many years, going above and beyond her role—not only supporting children during lunchtimes but also working in classrooms, helping small groups and 1:1 learners.

Her dedication to our school community has been incredible, and she has always given her time generously, including supporting our community events and even cooking food to sell in aid of our school.

We are so grateful for all she has contributed and wish her every success in her new role. Thank you, Mrs. Munir—you will be greatly missed!

What have we been learning?

EYFS

This week in F2, we have been exploring using our senses.

We learnt about fire safety and Mrs Baldwin-Thorley lit the bonfire. We talked about what we could see, hear and smell.

Then we made popcorn and we talked about what it tasted like - everyone thought it was delicious!



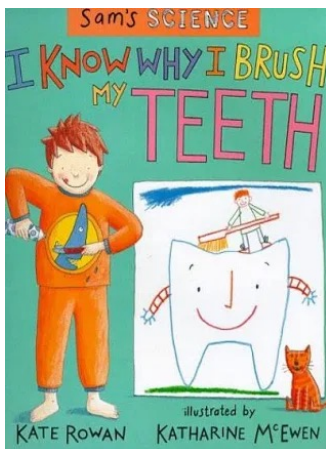
Year 1

Year 1 had such a wonderful day making and testing their cars for Patchy! They used their sawing and crafting skills to each make their own car for Patchy to get around Sneinton. We were so impressed with the children's resilience and the hard work they put in!



Year 3

Year 3 have finished our PSHE topic Health and Wellbeing. We have been learning about lots of different ways to keep our bodies healthy such as drinking water, avoiding too many sugary foods, brushing our teeth and staying safe in the sun. This week we read the book 'I know why I brush my teeth' and some of the children took disclosing tablets home (which show plaque on teeth). We were really impressed with how well they have been brushing their teeth!



Year 5

Year 5 have been focusing on poetry this week we have been using rhyming and personification to build a poem about the Maroons, who lived on the island of Jamaica after escaping the slave trade. They have shown maturity and wonderful creativity.



LUNCHTIME

WORLD

Week 3

Autumn Winter
2024-25:
16/9, 7/10,
28/10, 18/11,
9/12, 30/12,
20/1, 10/2

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY



American Style
Macaroni
Cheese

Jerk Chicken
Wraps and
Wedges

Roast Chicken,
Stuffing,
Roast Potatoes
and Gravy

Chicken Meatballs
with Tomato
Sauce and Rice

Golden Fish
Fingers or
Salmon Fingers
and Chips



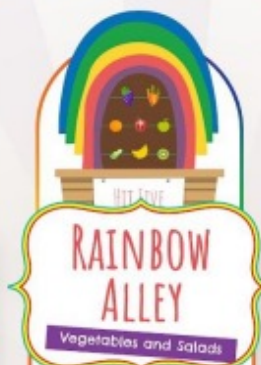
Veggie Wholegrain
Pasta Bolognese

Greek Pitta
Pocket with Feta,
Hummus, Salad
and Wedges

Carrot and
Stuffing Pastry
Plait

Fruity Sweet Potato
Tagine with Rice

Vegetable Fingers
and Chips



Carrots

Roast Root
Veggies

Peas and
Sweetcorn

Broccoli

Baked
Beans



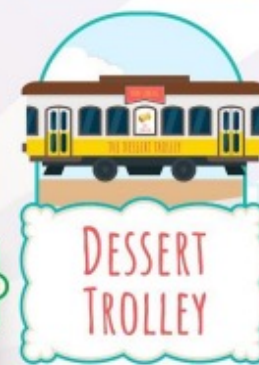
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Marble Cake

Apple,
Cinnamon
Raisin
Flapjacks

Orange and
Mango Jelly

Banana Bread
Muffins

Gingerbread
Cookies



Topped Pasta
Hot Pasta
topped with
Homemade
Tomato Sauce &
Cheese

Lego Creative

Tuesday 18 February
1pm to 4pm

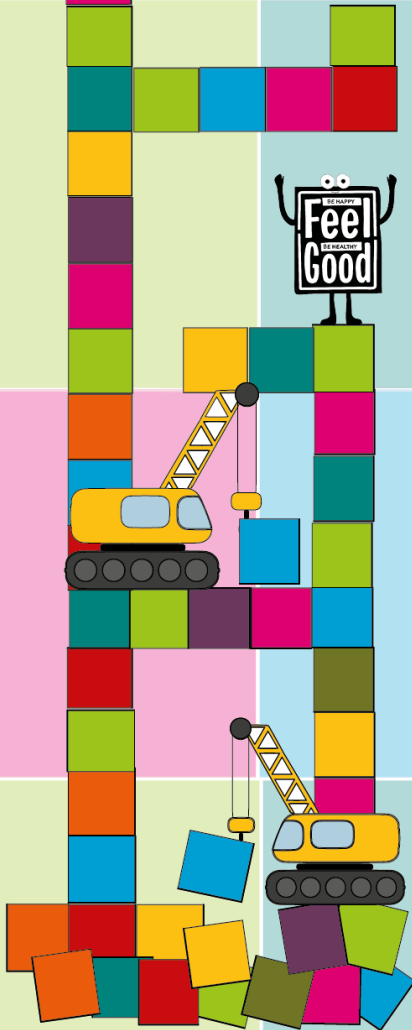
Cherry Lodge, King Edward Park
Carlton Road, NG3 2AS

£2 per person

Book your half hour slot and drop in for some Lego fun - your £2 ticket gives you a raffle ticket for a Lego set which you can build with us and take home.

Book your place
bookwhen.com/renewaltrust

Play



LEGO LUNCH CLUB

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RENEWAL
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Helping communities grow

**Cherry
Lodge**

a hub for the community

**Monday 17 February and
Wednesday 19 February
10:30am to 12:30pm**

Cherry Lodge, King Edward Park
Carlton Road, NG3 2AS

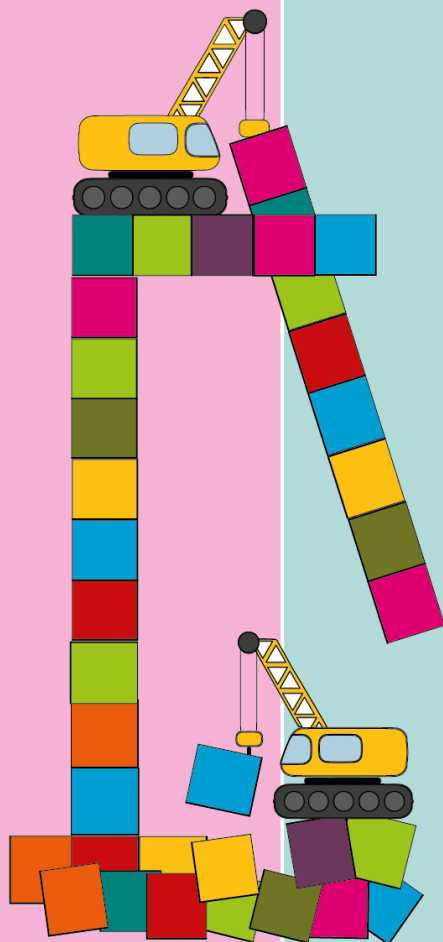
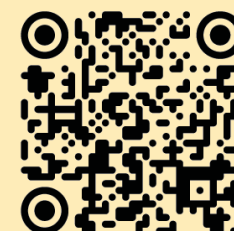
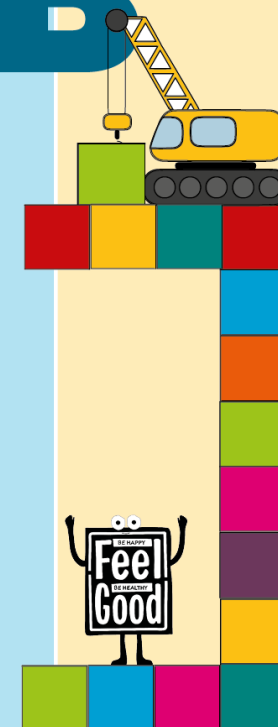
£1.50 per session

Drop the kids off for some Lego fun and
a hot lunch

For ages 5 to 12

Book your place

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LEGO



Join us this
half term for an
hour of Lego fun



CLUB

Come as a family and build together!

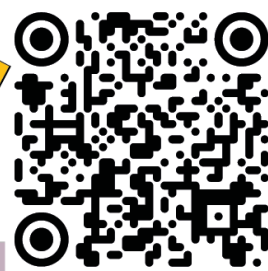
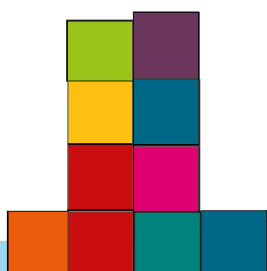
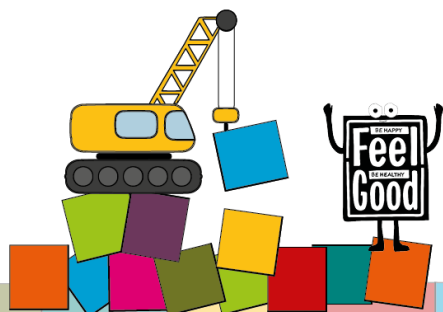
Wednesday 19 February
3:30pm to 4:30pm

Hillview Community Centre
Ransom Road NG3 3BP

£1 per person

Book your place

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Feel Good Breakfast



Monday to Wednesday
8am to 10am

17 February to 19 February

Cherry Lodge, King Edward Park
Carlton Road, NG3 2AS

Join us over the half term holidays
for breakfast with cereal, toast,
fruit, hot and cold drinks and more

Free – no need to book, just drop in
Everyone welcome!

To find out more call 0115 911 2226
or email enquiries@renewaltrust.org.uk



School Dates 2024-25

Aug-24							Sep-24							Oct-24						
M		5	12	19	26		M		2	9	16	23	30	M		7	14	21	28	
T		6	13	20	27		T		3	10	17	24		T	1	8	15	22	29	
W		7	14	21	28		W		4	11	18	25		W	2	9	16	23	30	
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-  Inset Days
-  Bank Holiday
-  School Holiday

- Half term 1 - 7 weeks 2 days
- Half term 2 - 7 weeks
- Half term 3 - 6 weeks
- Half term 4 - 6 weeks
- Half term 5 - 4 weeks 3 days
- Half term 6 - 8 weeks

Regular Community Events at School (open to all)



Family Breakfast 'Books and Breakfast'

Every Monday morning

School Hall 8:15 am – 8:45 am



Parent/Carer Tea and Coffee Drop-In

Every Friday morning (Starting 20 Sep)

Community Room 8:35 am – 9:30 am



Church at School, Led by St. Stephen's Church

Once a Month

School Hall 3:30 pm – 4:15 pm



Parent/Carer Prayer Group

2nd and 4th Monday of each month

Community Room 8:45 am – 9:15 am



For more information about these events or other ways to get involved at school, please speak to our Learning Mentor, Mrs Pruszek or our Headteacher, Mr Lowe.